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## **AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

### Dear Sir/Madam:

Examiner

In response to the Office Action mailed January 4, 2006, rejecting Claims 26-34 of the above-referenced Application, in which Claims 1-24 and 26-36 are pending (Claims 1-24, 35, and 36 having been allowed), Applicants respectfully request that the following amendments be entered and remarks be considered. In view of these amendments and remarks, Applicants submit that the Application is now in condition for allowance and respectfully request such action.